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Hongkong, May 31st, 1900.

The lengthy report of Dr. FRANCIS W. CLARK, Medical Officer of Health, for the year 1899, is a storehouse of accurate, valuable, and by no means uninteresting information. It is in every way worthy of thoughtful perusal by all intelligent adult members of the community. After carefully reading through the pages of this document and its appendices, we marvel at Dr. CLARK's tireless industry: and more clearly than ever, we realize how necessary it is that he should be provided with a properly qualified and capable assistant. The duties and calls upon the Sanitary Board, particularly upon its executive head, the Medical Officer of Health, are yearly becoming more numerous, more onerous, more exacting; and it is a matter of the most imperative importance that these multifarious duties be efficiently carried on, that these pressing calls be instantly attended to, without the paralyzing fear of interruption, either through break-down or absence on leave. Mr. OSBORN's motion, on this score, on Friday last, at the meeting of the Board, was eminently cogent; we hope to see the Board's wishes assented to by the Government. At the present moment, the Sanitary Board has no jurisdiction over the New Territory, although that will come in due fulness of time; its sway is only exercised over the 32 square miles of land comprised in Hongkong, and the Kowloon peninsula up to the bamboo fence that used to mark the old frontier line on the mainland. It is proposed, however, at an early date, to bring all the mainland between the first range of hills and the shore, from

Lyemun Pass on the East, to Laichikok behind Stonecutters' on the West, within the provisions of the local Public Health Ordinances. This will add some 15 square miles to the area already within the Board's sphere of authority, and will, *pari passu*, increase Dr. CLARK's arduous duties. A less energetic man might reasonably be discouraged. The city of Victoria extends along the sea-front for a distance of 4½ miles, and climbs up the hill-sides, to a height of 800 feet above mean high-water mark. The total city area covered with buildings, is well over a square mile; and, although this actual area grows but slowly, the number of houses within its limits, and—what perhaps constitutes a far more significant menace to our well-being as a body—the alarmingly big number of alterations to existing buildings, in the way of additional floors, are going up by leaps and bounds. It is this dangerous mode of progression, mode, by the way, that is occidental rather than oriental, that will give the reader pause. A Chinese city with the same population as we have, would cover much more ground. Ten years ago, four and five storied buildings were unknown in the colony, and even places of three stories were uncommon. All this is now being rapidly changed. The place is literally adding to its stature daily. A cursory glance over the city reveals the fact that property-owners on all sides are feverishly putting story on story, or, if they can afford it, are razing old buildings and hurriedly putting up much loftier ones in their stead; they are eager to participate in the flowing tide of rents; and who can blame them? The busiest, and wealthiest part of London, the City proper, is practically given up, during the night, to policemen and office caretakers. Not so the business quarters of Victoria. Our actual thoroughfares may be empty of rickshas and chair, and of grunting coolies staggering along under burdens; but the buildings, on either hand, are fully as crammed as in the day time. The night here brings no relief to the day. It is to this serious subject of surface crowding, this aerial rather than lateral extension, to which Dr. CLARK so often rightly recurs. Back-to-back houses are now a nightmare of the hideous past. The Insanitary Properties Ordinance, of 1899, definitely and finally swept them away to the limbo of hygienic horrors. The same Ordinance also deals, less thoroughly than we would wish, with the erection of cubicles and mezzanine floors: as well as with the relative height of buildings on land hereafter acquired from the Crown to the width of the roadway which they adjoin: but, as Dr. CLARK pertinently and forcibly remarks, almost all Crown-land comprised within the city-bounds, excepting the resumed and levelled lots to the East of the Tung-wa Hospital, in Taiping-ka, have long ago passed into the hands of private owners; and we would further state, not for the short leases of 75 years now in vogue, but in the very great majority of cases, for terms of 999 years.

Creation by means of wide passengers is no where more vitally needful than within the tropics. In our own instance, this plea is intensified when we reflect that in the summer season, when ventilation is more essential than at any other period, the cooling breezes come from the south—i.e., as regards Victoria, pass high over our heads, and only drop to the level at which we are in the city, by the time they have crossed the harbour. It is partly for this reason that the peninsula opposite, although often registering higher absolute temperatures, is much fresher than Victoria. As old residents well know, the lower portion of the city, on many windless days in the hot season, is nothing more nor less than a huge stagnant pool of festid air. This but emphasizes the absolute need for broad streets and buildings of reasonable altitude. The obstruction by verandas, and the constant misuse of them and of flying balconies as general living rooms, are kindred matters which deserve special attention at the hands of the Board's Inspectors. This all shows that the Insanitary Properties Ordinance will have to be supplemented, ere long, by further wholesome, if more drastic, legislation in the same direction. The urgent call for a bigger supply of public urinals becomes yearly more apparent. It is far from satisfactory to learn that only such places exist throughout the entire city. By means of meteorological statistics culled from Dr. DOMEREC's Observatory reports, the uncertain nature of our rainfall is at once seen. During the past twenty years, it has ranged between 45.88 inches in 1895, and 120.66 inches in 1883. This irregular water supply is not sufficient for the colony's every day wants, especially since water-taps are now fixed in Chinese tenements. No doubt a great deal of quite unnecessary waste takes place, even in European houses, for the unthinking native is not sufficiently tutored to an unlimited water supply. He would value it more, if it cost him greater trouble to get. This is abundantly evident when we notice a cool-cooler go to a street hydrant, and run off several gallons to wash his feet. Had he been compelled to carry

the same amount of water from a distance or to pay some one else to do so for him, his feet would, in all likelihood, have gone unwashed; at least, he would have been less extravagant. And yet, it is a far more culpable waste to use potable water, as we in Hongkong do, for such purposes as flushing sewers and urinals, watering streets, and for extinguishing fires; because seawater would do quite as well, and cost much less to obtain and to store. Dr. CLARK, accordingly, strongly recommends the storage of salt-water in reservoirs for all ordinary municipal uses. If that were done, we should doubtless be able to get a constant service of soft water for household purposes, even during the driest months of the year. The number of deaths from malarial diseases in '99 was still high, though less so than in '98. Beri-Beri, in the three last months of the year, gave cause for grave anxiety, varying almost on an epidemic. The account of a disease supposed to be Beri-Beri, in one of the Foundling Hospitals, is of particular interest, owing to the practical absence of all those insanitary conditions—overcrowding, lack of light, air and nourishing food—with which we commonly link such an outbreak. It is greatly to be deplored that we still suffer from the fact that there is yet no systematic medical inspection of vessels immediately on arrival in harbour. The colony pays very heavily for this serious deficiency. Thus, out of 137 reported cases of small-pox, enteric fever and diphtheria, in '99, 55 were known to have been imported. It will be news to the ordinary lay reader to learn that scarlet fever does not appear to occur among the Chinese, and that it is comparatively unknown even among Europeans here.

Up to noon, yesterday there were reported 18 cases of plague and 15 deaths in the 24 hours.

Last week the bindlees of six brothers in Third street, West Point, were brought up at the Magistracy charged with keeping brothels in a profligate street, notice having been given them to quit by the end of April. His Worship made orders for them to quit by the first of August. Since then 26 more bindlees have gone further West returned to Third street, no doubt thinking they would be allowed to remain there until the first of August as well. At the Magistracy yesterday, however, Mr. Gompertz ordered them to clear out by the first of July.

At the Magistracy yesterday a Chinaman from Macao was charged with dealing in lottery tickets. An Indian constable saw him aboard a steamer which came alongside the wharf on Tuesday evening, and noticing that he carried a bundle he asked him the contents. The man replied "Nothing," and commenced to run away. The constable chased and caught him and took him to the Central Police Station, where the bounde was found to contain lottery tickets. The defendant said the tickets were not for sale in Hongkong. A fine of 25 was imposed.

Owing to the presence of mind of Indian constable No. 530, a Chinaman was saved from drowning at West Point on Tuesday night.

Attempting to land at Jardine's wharf from a small boat the Chinaman missed his footing and fell into the water. He could not swim, but managed to keep afloat by paddling with his hands. His cries attracted the notice of the Indian constable, who forthwith took off his turban and threw the end towards the Chinaman, who grasped it and was dragged ashore. Had the Indian constable not been on the scene the man would assuredly have been drowned, as the current was strong and would soon have taken him out of reach.

The Russian minister at Peking, according to a recent letter from that city, gave a grand banquet on the evening of the 11th instant at the Russian Legation, to which were invited nearly all the Ministers of the Tsing-ti Yamen, only those—one or two—who were known to be friendly to Great Britain being absent from the function. It is reported that the banquet was held to "rejoice over the completion of a secret understanding between the two empires in anticipation of certain movements of other Foreign Powers in the Boxer agitations." This explanation comes from reliable Chinese sources at Peking, who also state that the alleged secret understanding between Russia and China has made the former Power paramount at Peking for the present at any rate.—*N.C. Daily News*.

We received a telegram from our Singapore correspondent yesterday, stating that the *Straits Times* had been sold by public auction to the highest bidder for \$85,000. This includes the *Straits Budget*, which is the weekly summary of the *Straits Times*, and a small job-printing business attached. The profits of the business for 1899 were \$26,576, so the price for which the paper is sold may be considered cheap; as at the rate of profit made on the last year's working the capital will be recovered in four years. Mr. Aron Reid, who for some years past has so ably edited the paper, and occupied the position of part proprietor, leaves for home; and the sale of the paper was rendered necessary on the death of the other part proprietor, Mrs. Cameron. Singapore will miss Mr. Reid. From the north we also learn that Mr. J. D. Clark has floated the *Shanghai Mercury* into a public company with a capital of Tls. 70,000, only two hundred shares being placed on the market, the rest being taken up by the vendor and others.

The *Fane and Whiting* reached Shanghai soon after 1 p.m. on the 23rd inst., and left on the 26th.

The Imperial Court was to return to the Palace, Peking, on the 28th instant, and to proceed again to the I Ho Park after the 5th moon festival.

The Singapore Derby on the 22nd inst. was won by Chong Ah Yong's *Reserve*, the Sultan of Johore's *Tortoise* and *Pluto* being second and third.

On the 9th inst. Senhor Galhardo, Governor General Elect of Portuguese India and late Governor of Macao, arrived at Bombay, leaving next day.

A Penang telegram to the *Straits Times* announces the death at Taiping on the 22nd inst. of Sir Graeme Elphinstone, the well-known planter. He was 59 years of age.

A Reuters' telegram from Philadelphia on April 29th announces that Mr. Meyer Prinstein, of Syracuse University, cleared 24ft. in a long jump, beating the world's record.

The people of Kao-ni district, Shantung, creating such continual trouble in consequence of the German railway line, that General Yuan has consulted with the German authorities in order to divert the line some 80 li from the district.

According to the Shanghai native paper *Chi Fao*, Mr. Ma Kiong Chung, the ex-Director of the China Merchants, who was in trouble some time ago at Hongkong in connection with his shares in the Bank of China and Japan, has been appointed by Viceroy Li Hung-chang Director-General of the Commercial Bureau at Shanghai, where he arrived on the 23rd inst.

A Peking telegram of the 18th inst. announced the arrival of three United States gunboats at Taku, in connection with the rioting near Peking. The telegram continues:—"The number of native Christians killed is put at 72. The Foreign Ministers are of opinion that the protection of their Legations is necessary in view of the crisis. The Powers will not, however, take concerted action."

It appears from correspondence now published that General Otis was relieved from his command in the Philippines at his own request, as he had been absent from family and important business since November 1897, except for a few days. The United States War Department recognized the justice of his request and expressed their appreciation of his "distinguished and successful service in both military and civil departments."

The *Manila Times* says of the late Mr. A. W. Upton, who shot himself here in Chamberlain Road the other day:—"Mr. Upton was well known in Manila, and possessed a large circle of friends. He was formerly manager of The Alhambra Cafè and of Whaley's Casino. He left here for Japan six weeks ago on business and was not owing here when in a state of despondency brought on by financial difficulties, he ended his own life in Hongkong by shooting himself with a revolver."

The Philippine Commissioners and a large party of ladies and gentlemen were yesterday the guests of Mr. D. Gillies, chief manager of the *Tok* Company, who took them out to Mine Bay in the tug-boat *Fane*, Taipo and other places being visited. With regard to the remuneration of the Commission, the *Chicago Record* observes:—"The members of the present Philippine commission are to receive annual salaries of \$30,000 each, except Judge Taft, the president, who is to receive \$10,000, with free transportation for themselves and their families and whatever baggage and household goods they may care to take to the Philippines. Their fixed own salaries. The two secretaries of the commission receive \$5,000 each, which is deducted from an allowance of \$41,000 made by the secretary of war for the payment of clerk hire and other similar expenses. The money is paid out of the revenues of the Philippine islands." At a banquet given to the commissioners at San Francisco the principal address was delivered by Mr. Whitelaw Reid, who said:—"In the interest of the islanders you will secure and guarantee to them the civil rights which belong to the very genius of American institutions, but in the interests of your country you will not make haste to extend the privileges of American citizenship, which, on the one hand, would enable those peoples of the China sea—Chinese or half-breed or what not—to flood our labour market in advance of any readiness at home to change our present laws of exclusion and on the other hand would open the door to them as states in the union to take part in the government of this continent. If in the providence of God and in contempt of just judicial rulings the Supreme Court should finally command it, you, like every other branch of the government, will obey. In their own land, and as far as may be, in accordance with their old customs and laws, you will secure to them, if you are to win the success we all wish you, every civil right we enjoy, and next, the fullest measure of political rights and local self-government they are found capable of sustaining, with orderly liberty, for all the people. There, then, is the door we expect you to inflict on these temporarily turbulent wards of the nation. First order, then justice, then American civil rights, not for a class or a tribe or a race, but for all the people; then local self-government. And may God help you to fulfill this task. Above all, if there is a trace of politics in your work or of seeking for political effect at home you will fail and deserve to fail."

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The Osaka Local Sanitary Association held a special meeting on the 19th inst., and unanimously adopted a proposal to administer the Hakkino lymph to the whole population of the city, as part of the measures for the prevention of plague.

The Siamese Government have taken steps to do away with forced labour—a long standing evil in Siam. A beginning has been made in the north-west provinces of the kingdom by passing a decree laying on a poll tax in commutation of forced labour.

At a general meeting of the Calcutta Turf Club the following proposal for alterations in Rules of Racing was unanimously confirmed:—Rule 1. of Rules of Racing to read as follows:—"A pony is a horse measuring 14 hands 2 inches or under." The rule will take effect as from the 1st of April, 1900.

A Scoul telegram of the 19th inst. says that the claim of the Japanese subject evading land at Masampo, negotiations concerning which are now proceeding between the Russian and Japanese representatives, will be settled very soon. The Russian authorities have recognized the validity of the title-deeds produced by the Japanese owner.

A telegram received by Shanghai mandarins from Peking on the 22nd inst. states that the Grand Secretary and Generalissimo, Jung Lu who had been seriously ill of late, is now out of danger. There were fears at first that Jung Lu had been made the victim of the friends of the Empress Dowager's lately deceased favourite concubine, whom they accuse Jung Lu of having poisoned, but this charge, according to the telegram, was groundless.

The *Chi Fao* gives a story to the effect that an attempt was recently made to poison the Hsi Appear by means of a cup of tea brought to him by a eunuch when he was at study. In the name of the Empress Dowager's lately deceased favourite concubine, whom they accuse Jung Lu of having poisoned, but this charge, according to the telegram, was groundless.

The *St. Petersburg Correspondent* of the *Times* (31st May) says:—"Reports have reached here of serious friction between the Russians and the Chinese in Manchuria, on the Russian railway construction route. In one case, a detachment of 35 Chinese soldiers shot the Russian Captain of ten Cossacks, who were doing police duty. The Cossacks attacked and pursued the Chinese, cutting them down. The Russian Government sent a complaint to Peking, demanding the punishment of the highest official of the district. China complied. There have been several murders and mutilations of Russian engineers by Chinese brigands."

One of the favourite amusements among the Japanese callers when in port is to pick a quarrel with the Chinese with the object of giving a retort in miniature of the *Chino-Japanese War*. Sometimes the Japanese do not come out for the fray so creditably as they did some six or seven years ago. One in particular who appeared at the Magistracy yesterday with four others for being concerned in a disturbance at Hung Hom the previous evening appeared to have been very badly mauled. One eye was almost completely closed up while his face and jacket were covered with blood. The *Nyonya* was in dock at Hung Hom on Tuesday evening and the sailors were strolling about the village. Sergeant Cameron met between 20 and 30 of them in Eulkeley-street, and as they were armed with sticks and stones and sticks striking all the Chinese they passed, he went aboard their boat and made a report to an officer, who came ashore with him. The Sergeant went to Hung Hom Police Station and on his returning with five constables he found the Japanese brandishing sticks and chasing the Chinese about. He arrested three of them without much trouble, but two others who were taken in hand by P. C. Devaney were inclined to be obstreperous.—P. C. Devaney informed Mr. Gompertz that at about 20 past nine on Tuesday night he was called to Hung Hom village, where he found some 20 or 30 Japanese armed with stones and sticks striking all the Chinese they passed. He saw Sergeant Cameron arrest three of them. As he did so, the fourth defendant rushed towards the sergeant. Witness closed with him. The man struggled violently and he had to get assistance to take him to the Police Station. In the meantime the fifth defendant, who was the fourth defendant's son, struck him on the head. The man then drew a knife out of a sheath he was wearing and struck at him. He avoided the blow, which was received in the back. Witness then broke away from the fourth defendant and closed with his assailant. The man struggled and kicked but was finally secured. An Indian constable took the fourth defendant to the station.—Chinese constable No. 153 also gave evidence. For being disorderly the first, second, and third defendants were each fined \$5 or 14 days and the fourth \$15 or a month. The fifth defendant was sentenced to three months hard labour for cutting and wounding the Chinese constable.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The steamer *Afghanistan*, from New York and Straits, left Manila on the 20th instant, and is due here on or about the 1st of June. The Austrian Lloyd's steamer *India* left Shanghai for this port on the 20th instant. The N. P. steamer *Duke of York* left Yokohama for Taku on the 20th instant. The N

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THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

NEWS VIA CEYLON.

GENERAL GATCARE ON HIS BEVERAGES.

London 14th, May.
A representative of the *Daily Express* has interviewed General Gatcane on the subject of his reverses. "I consider," said the General, "I had rather had luck—many things would have gone wrong under anyone."

BEFORE THE BELGE OF MAPELING.

London, 15th May.

A Boer despatch from Pretoria announces that the British Relief Column is advancing along the Burchanaham Railway, numbering 3,000 men, and is pushing on rapidly by forced marches night and day. The column reached Vryburg on Wednesday.

"CAN LAST TILL JUNE 10th."

London, 16th May.

The latest message from Mafeking states that all was right up to the 16th May. "The garrison add—'We can last till June 10th.'"

THE ATTITUDE OF THE WASHINGTON CABINET TOWARDS THE BOER DELEGATES.

London, 16th May.

The Cabinet at Washington has decided to assume a generous attitude towards the Boer Delegates. Should the visit assume a political aspect, however, it will certainly operate against the mission.

NEWS VIA CANADIAN MAIL.

KRUGER'S ONLY HOPE.

New York, 3rd May.
Howard C. Hillig is in the World to-day.

President Kruger knows as well as any one person in the Transvaal, and perhaps better than anybody, that the Boers' opportunity of winning this war by force of arms is long since passed. He will not say a word except to his close friends about his desire to secure a settlement that will satisfy both contestants, a settlement that will appear to the world as inconceivable as the supposition that the British will withdraw all their forces from the country tomorrow. He will talk to newspaper men for hours on every conceivable topic except this, but to every question on this point he will reply, simply, "We are safe."

State Secretary Balfour will tell one that the president expects the war to end through the mediation of intervention of other countries, but Kruger has many secrets which are never confided to his secretary.

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NEWS TO THE CONDITION OF ENGLISH PRISONERS AT PRETORIA.

State Department officials say that the British government had made no representations of late on this subject.

The state department is in receipt of reports at regular intervals from United States Consul Hay at Pretoria in which he never fails to describe the condition of these prisoners. From his reports it appears that while their condition is not all that it might be, still the Boers probably are treating them with as much consideration as they are able to exercise at present. Consul Hay has been doing everything in his power to aid to the comfort of the prisoners in accordance with his instructions, and the British authorities have expressed their gratitude for his good offices. His task has been a delicate one, but it appears that he has so far discharged it in such manner as to avoid giving offence to the Boer officials, with whom he is on excellent terms.

REJOICINGS IN LONDON—PRINCE OF WALES AT THE EMPIRE LEAGUE DINNER.

London, 16th May.

This has been a week of dinners and receptions. Now that the Royalties and their suites have trooped back across the Irish channel, semi-political and private dinners have made the mirth of the metropolis gay, while the racing at Newmarket, scarcely ever before drawn a more fashionable attendance. The Queen's birthday, May 24th, in addition to being marked by usual public processions, will be made the occasion for a great national banqueting array chartered and to be patronized by all the members of the royal family.

Of the recent dinner news were more striking than the banquet given at the Hotel Cecil Monday evening last by the British Empire League in honour of the colonial troops in South Africa, and of the Australian federation delegates, when the Prince of Wales made his first public appearance after the attempt to assassinate him. As he rose to reply to a toast, he received a tremendous ovation. He was unusually pale, but the nervous tone in which he said "We're all in the hands of God" betrayed his intense emotion, he was undergoing, but at the gorgeous banquet procedural, Great Britain's future king remained that gravity for which he is distinguished and marshal laughter prevailed at the royal table. His Royal Highness, also on the occasion inaugurated a custom which may become popular at large public dinners, where the guests are so numerous that they can scarcely recognize each other. With his coffee and cigar, the Prince's special attendant brought him his pair of field glasses with which he carefully scrutinized the long tables and the galaxy of bewigged women who filled the balconies in order to hear the speech.

ENGLISH POPULARITY IN LONDON—THE NEW GUARDS.

London, April 23rd.

Though the Queen has returned to England and her visit to Ireland is now a matter of history, the latest news shows no signs of abatement. Of this phase, which began by the universal wearing of the Shamrock, there has been some slighting example this week. The lower house of York's convention, composed of clergymen and laity of the Church of England's northern diocese, adopted resolutions to put St. Patrick upon the pages of the prayer book, for which he was unaccountably missing. St. Andrew is there, but Erin's patron saint was omitted when the reformers redacted the liturgy.

In consonance with the Queen's personal wishes, as many as possible of the new Irish Guards' Regiments will be mustered for the usual birthday trooping of colors and review ceremonies in London on May 23rd.

NEWS BY THE GERMAN MAIL.

ENGLAND AND ITALY IN CHINA.

Rome, 27th April.

The *Times* this evening publishes, in place of a leading article, an interview with Signor Angelo Luzzetti, Italian Commissioner of the Peking Syndicate, concerning in Shun-si, on the subject of Anglo-Italian relations in China. Signor Luzzetti combats the insinuation current in some papers here that English support of Italian aspirations in China was to say the least, half-hearted and affords that England has always displayed through friendliness towards Italy in the Far East. The character of Italian diplomatic action, he says, precluded the official employment of the good offices which England was prepared to exercise in regard to Sam-mun.

THE HANKOW AFFAIR.

St. Petersburg, 27th April.

The *Novoye Vremya* publishes news of the sitting of a committee in Peking to inquire into the claim of Massa Jardine, Matheson, and Co. to territory at Hankow which is disputed by the Russians. The manager of the Russo-Chinese Bank, M. Potokofsky, and a tea merchant, Litvinoff on behalf of the Russians, and Chinese lawyer was also present.

The account states that when the question came up as to the identity of the land claimed and as to the rights of the land claimed and as to the rights of the people of Hull, was the most desultory of those affected. Sufficient tents and blankets have been sent across the river by the Military Department to make all comparatively comfortable, at least with the rain holds off. At present the weather is warm and sunny during the day, although the air becomes chilly at night.

LATER.

The Governor-General has received the following telegram from Sandringham:

"Accept my deepest sympathy at the serious fire and destruction of property."

"Albert Edward."

From the Duke of York, the Governor-General has received the following:

"I am deeply grieved at the terrible fire My warmest sympathy with the people of Ottawa."

"George."

BRITISH PROSPECTS IN LÓLÓ-LAND.

THE UNITED STATES AND THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

New York, 26th April.

The Secretary for War announced on Friday, in the course of his after-dinner speech in New York, "The hour is coming when the American people will be forced either to abandon the Monroe doctrine or to fight for it. We shall never abandon it." Every intelligent man, said Mr. Elihu Root, who could read the signs of the times realized that this crisis might arrive before many years were over. "Therefore let us prepare," he cried. Many intelligent men who have read the speech wonder what it means when we are going to fight. The press takes it to be a notice of the outbreak. One never fails to notice that Germany has dark designs on Brazil. Another intimates that Mr. Root desires Congress to pass an Army Bill. A third dismisses it as one more piece of campaign

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE HONGKONG TIMBER YARD (established in 1852), has this day been removed from No. 63, Fove, East, Marine Lot 109, to Lahnd Lot 1,500, BOWINGTON CANAL, near the Lexington Hill Road Bridge and opposite the Lee Shun Sugar Refinery.

L. MALLORY.

Hongkong, 1st May 1900.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Office of the HONGKONG DAILY PRESS, CHUNG NGOI SAN PO, CHRONICLE & DIRECTORY.

have this day been removed to

9, PEATA CENTRAL,

Entrance East Lane, recently Messrs.

Wendt & Co's Office, behind Messrs. Shaw & Tomes & Co's premises.

Hongkong 1st May, 1900.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

IT IS BETTER TO KEEP WELL than to have the quickest possible recovery from illness. That is why there is such a universal demand for articles like LIEBIG'S Extract, now called LEMCO.

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It may be regarded as one of the indications which an able man unfamiliar with public life and unaware of the diplomatic responsibilities of his official position sometimes commits.

Eleven Senators yesterday voted to consider the resolution of sympathy with the Boers and 31 against. The author of the resolution, Mr. Pettigrew, of South Dakota, a Populist, is one of the least influential of the Senators. The minority in favour of the Boers consists of one Republican, five Democrats, three Populists, and two Silverites.

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HOUSE in CAINE ROAD.
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Care of Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [1623]

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Road East. Open to sea breeze.
Apply to—
N. MODY & CO.
Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [1627]

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IN accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875,
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Business on the 4th Proximo (WHIT MON-
DAY).

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
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Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [1630]

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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

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TION, LIMITED.

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Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [1631]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship.

"WHAMPOA"

will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 31st
inst., at NOON.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWINE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [1628]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship.

"LOONGMOON."

Captain F. W. Schulz will be despatched for
the above port TO-DAY, the 31st inst., at
4 P.M.This Steamer has superior accommodation for
First and Second Class passengers.For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [1629]

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND
FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HAICHING."

Captain Hall will be despatched for the above
ports TO-MORROW, the 1st June, at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [1625]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DAWIN AND QUEENSLAND
PORTS, and taking through to
ADELAIDE, NEW TASMANIA, &c.)

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Captain St. John George will be despatched for
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June, at NOON.This well-known Steamer is specially fitted
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-
ber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Pro-
visions, Tea, &c., throughout the voyage.This Steamer is installed throughout with
the Electric Light.A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon
are carried.N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Com-
pany to and from Australia are available for
return by the steamer of the China Navigation
Company and vice versa.For Freight or Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [1624]

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AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY.STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO
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(Taking cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA,
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LEVANT, and ADEATIC PORTS.)

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Captain A. Martinovich will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY, the 5th June, P.M., in-
stead of as previously advertised.Europe cargo is transhipped on arrival at
Bombay in close connection.For information as to Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,

Agents.

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Hongkong, 31st May, 1900. [1630]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY
LIMITED.NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the
"STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED,
will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, NO. 2,
Connaught Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on
MONDAY, the 5th June, 1900, at 12.30
o'clock in the afternoon, when the SUBJOINED
RESOLUTION will be passed at the
Extraordinary General Meeting of the
Company held on the 23rd day of May, 1900, will
be submitted for confirmation as a SPECIAL
RESOLUTION."That the Regulations contained in Table A
in so far as they apply to this Company be
altered as follows:That the following clause be substituted for
Clause 37 of Table A—"The quorum
for all the purposes of a General Meet-
ing shall not be less than five members
present in person or by proxy. No
business shall be transacted at any
General Meeting unless the quorum
requisite be present at the commence-
ment of the business."

By Order,

EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1900. [1628]

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Issue of \$100,000 NEW CAPITAL.
IN 10,000 SHARES of \$10 EACH, \$2.50 PAID UP.
At a PREMIUM of \$6.00 PER SHARE,
\$1.50 CASH.NOTICE is hereby given that the Issue of
\$100,000 NEW Capital which was sanction-
ed at the Extraordinary General Meeting
of the Company held on 23rd May, 1900, will
be offered to those persons who are registered
as Shareholders on the 5th June, 1900, in the
proportion of One New Share to Every Old
Share.The New Shares will be issued at a Premium
of \$6, making a Total Payment of \$16 per
Share, of which \$2.50 per Share and \$1.50
Premium-\$4 in all, will be PAYABLE on the
15th June, 1900, and the Balance when called
for.The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 9th June to the
11th June, both days inclusive.EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd May, 1900. [1627]

NOTICE.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE
COMPANY LIMITED.THE CERTIFICATE No. 2,626, dated 8th
January, 1900, of the Shares numbered
10,201 to 10,250 in this Company, standing in the
name of Mr. JAY BUTT, of Yokohama, has
been LOST, and if at the expiration of One
month from the date hereof, the above document
not be forthcoming, another Certificate will be
issued by the Company, and thereafter no other
will be acknowledged.JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
Governing Directors.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1900. [1433]

A. S. WATSON & CO. LIMITED.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND for the year
1899, at the rate of Sixty cents per Share
(or Six per cent. on the Capital of the Com-
pany) and Eleven per cent. for the year) is
PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai
Bank, Hongkong, on and after this date, the
15th June, 1900, on Warrants to be obtained
from the undersigned. Local Shareholders are
requested to apply at the Company's Office for
their Warrants.The DIVIDEND is also PAYABLE at the
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on
presentation of Warrants there, on and after
the same date.

By Order,

A. H. MANCELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1900. [1433]

THE ZETLAND LODGE, NO. 525, E.C.

REGULAR MEETING of the ZET-
LAND LODGE will be held at the
FREE-MASON'S HALL TO-MORROW NIGHT,
the 1st June, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely.

Inviting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1900. [1575]

THE E. M. T U A L S T O R E S,
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and the Public in general, that having
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ted Waters, Deodorants, Photographic
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ted Waters, Wines, Beers, Spirits, etc.

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China Porcelain, Crockery Wares; 59a,
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Surgeon Dentist, 24, Bank Buildings,
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THE COSMOPOLITAN HOUSE,
Breakfasts, Buffets, Dinners, Wines, etc.,
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Extant Furniture, Bamboo, Blinds, Mat-
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Exporter of Real Hand-made Tulle Lace
in Silk, Linen and Cotton. Grasscloth and
Silk Embroideries. Hand-made Silk
and Linen Lace Curtains made to
order; 17, Queen's Road, Central.

STOREKEEPERS

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
Navy Contractors, Shipchandlers, Sail
makers, Provision and Coal Merchants,
Praya Central, next Hongkong Hotel.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Tailors and Outfitters, Pianoforte Dealers
Shipchandlers, Furniture Dealers and
Upholsterers, Wines and Spirit Mer-
chants.

MORE & SELMUND.

Shipchandlers, Sailmakers, Bingers, Com-
mission Agents and General Store-
keepers; 17, Praya Central.

TAILORS

AH-MEN HING-CHEONG & CO.,
Tailors, Drapers and Outfitters, Queen's
Road Central Old Club Site,
Branch; A-MAN, opposite City Hall.

R. HAUGHTON & CO.

Navy, Military and Court, 16, Queen's Road,
Opposite Kuhn's Curio Store.

HUNG YUEN.

Outfitters, Shirts, Makara Hatters, Hosiery,
Drapers, 87, Queen's Road, Central.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Queen's Road.

TAK CHEONG.

Tailors, Gentlemen's Outfitters, Hatters,
Hosiery and Drapers, Chinese Silk of
all kinds; 50, 52, Queen's Rd, Central.

YEE SANG FAT & CO.

Outfitters, Piece Goods, Underwear, Shoes,
Hats, Silk Handkerchiefs; Opposite Post
Office, Queen's Road Central.

TOBACCONISTS

D. S. DADY BURJOR, "LOS FILIPINOS"
Importer of the Best Manila Cigars; 25,
Pottinger Street.

KRUSS & CO.

Wholesale and Retail, Havana and Manila
Cigars, Egyptian Cigarettes, Dealers in
Tobacco Goods, Agents in
Connaught House, Queen's Road.

VICTORIA CIGAR DEPOT.

1 and 2, Leyburn Street, East. AGENTS FOR
W. KENNEDY & CO., 37, Calle San
Jesu, Manila. "Windsor Lady" and
"The Jockey" Cigars.

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS

H. PRICE & CO.,
12, Queen's Road,
and Calle Antequera, Manila.

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED,
is now prepared to receive perishable pro-
visions for Cold Storage at EAST POINT at
Moderate Rates.

W.M. PEARLAGE,
Manager,
Hongkong, 17th February, 1899.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

SCANDINAVIAN HOUSE MATERIALS—CALCIUM
CARBIDE BY A NEW PROCESS—ELECTRICITY
IN CONSUMPTION—FRUIT FROM SHADE
TREES—WHAT IS THE SHAMROCK?—WHERE
DEATH BEGINS—NATIONAL BIMETALIC
QUADRATUREMETERS.

An asphaltated pasteboard from Norway and a
wood and paper board from Sweden are now
building materials of great probable usefulness.
The first is made by compressing together
several layers of heavy paper and asphaltum,
the product being smooth, solid, plate, which is
as strong as wood and cheaper, which will
not crack or rot, and which is adapted for walls
and ceilings, for panels, and for many other
purposes. The second material is a board hav-
ing a central layer of closely-litigated bits of wood,
with a layer of cement and an outer layer of
paper on each side. The paper has been com-
pressed and made waterproof. The boards are
made 4 feet wide and 8 to 16 feet long, and are
adapted not only for the interior lining of
houses, but for making trunks, boxes, tables,
and other light articles. The boards can be
polished and painted.

Calcium carbide by a cheapened process is
claimed by H. Aschermann. On treating
pyrites with lime and coke in an ordinary
electric furnace, metallic iron and calcium
carbide are produced, the latter furnishing as
pure acetylene as the carbide by the usual
process, while at least 70 per cent. less current
is required by the new method. Another ad-
vantage is that the furnace can be run con-
tinuously.

A mortar used in German schools has a
flanged edge, over which a sheet of rubber is
fitted, the pestle passing through a hole in the
rubber. This cover protects the experimenter
from injurious vapors and dust, and facilitates
the pounding of hard brittle materials, such as
caustic alkalies.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
ing undelivered after the 2nd proximo, will be
subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be pro-
nounced to the undersigned, on or before the 9th
proximo, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to
be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 1st proximo, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1900. [1592]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ,
BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"MAZAGON"

Congresses of Cargo by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out Mark by
mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as
the goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—

From Italy, or as Thanes.

From Persia Gulf, &c., or as Simla.

From Madras, &c., or as Loopeen.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c. via PORTS OF CALL	BALLARAT	Brit. str.	—	G. L. W. Field	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 9th June, at Noon.
LONDON via SUEZ CANAL	PATROCLUS	Brit. str.	—	Dickens	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 2nd June, at Noon.
LONDON via SUEZ CANAL	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 12th June.
LONDON via SUEZ CANAL	ANTENOR	Brit. str.	—	M. H. F. Jackson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 26th June.
LONDON	BERNARD	Brit. str.	—	Kralle	GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 1st June.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	DIONED	Brit. str.	—	Groelwin	MELCHERS & CO.	On 13th June.
BREMEN via PORTS OF CALL	SACHISEN	Brit. str.	—	Noppe	MESSENGERIES MARITIMES	On 14th June, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, HATRE & COPENHAGEN, via BROM	SALAZIE	Fr. str.	—	Prahl	MELCHERS & CO.	On 4th June, at 1 p.m.
MARSEILLES, &c., via STRAITS, &c.	ALAYA	Dom. str.	—	F. L. Sommer	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th June, at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, v. STORE &c.	AWAKA MARU	Japan str.	—	N. Trent	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th June, at Daylight.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	SOCOTRA	Brit. str.	—	T. H. Hide, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 15th June.
HAVEN & HAMBURG	SODA	Brit. str.	—	Fuchs	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 6th June.
HAVEN & HAMBURG	SAMIA	Brit. str.	—	—	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 23rd June.
HAVEN & HAMBURG	ELMIRUNG	Brit. str.	—	—	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 6th July.
TRIESTE, &c., via PORTS OF CALL	WITTENBERG	Brit. str.	—	—	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 17th July.
NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL	GISELA	Ans. str.	—	—	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On 8th June, P.M.
NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL	ARMENIA	Brit. str.	—	—	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 29th June.
VICTORIA, D.C. & TACOMA	ALBENGA	Brit. str.	—	Petersen	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On or about 24th July.
GOODWIN	BIODIN MARU	Brit. str.	—	A. Jackson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 9th June.
EMPEROR OF CHINA	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	J. W. Ekstrand	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 4th June, at 4 p.m.
BEARNAIR	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	R. Archibald, R.N.E.	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	On 6th June.
CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Am. str.	—	W. Watt	PACIFIC MAIL S. S. CO.	On 9th June.
COPTO	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	O. & S. S. CO.	On 9th June, at Noon.
NIPPON MARU	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Japan str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	TO-ACROSS, at 5 p.m.
BELGIAN KING	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 19th June, at Noon.
AIRLINE	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	GIBR. LIVINGSTON & CO.	On or about 20th June.
TAIYUAN	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 8th June, at Daylight.
ROHILLA	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. CO.	To-day, at Noon.
HITACHI MARU	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 21st.
GUTHRIE	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 5th June, at Noon.
MAGAZON	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 4th June.
AUSTRALIAN	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
NANCHANG	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
LAOS	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
CANTON	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
BENGAL	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
KALAN	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
WHAMPOA	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
LOONMOON	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
HAICHING	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
ANPING MARU	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
TAMSU MARU	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
BELLEROPHON	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
KAI FONG	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
SUNGKIAH	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
MENNUR	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
TAIWAN	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
KUMBANG	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
BORNIDA	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
INDIA	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.
SHANTUNG	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On or about 3rd June.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 29, SUNGLUNG, British str., 1,921, S. W. Moore, Manila 27th May, Hemp and Sugar.

—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

May 30, MEFPOO, Chinese str., 1,220, T. W. Sleath, Shanghai 26th May, General.

—CHINESE

May 30, RIOMUN MARU, Japanese str., 2,972, J. W. Elstrand, Seattle 25th April, General.

—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

May 30, KACHIDATE MARU, Japan str., 1,324, Fujiki, Moji 24th May, Coal. —MITSUI BUSHIN KAISHA

May 30, EMPRESS OF CHINA, British steamer 3,033, R. Archibald, R.N.E., Vancouver 8th May, and Shanghai 27th May, and General. —C. P. R. Co.

May 30, FOAMUS, British steamer 674, A. E. Hodges, Swatow 26th May, General.

Douglas LAFRAK & Co.

May 30, HAKATA MARU, Jap. str., 3,913, E. L. Scudder, Moji 24th May, General. —NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

May 30, WINGHANG, British str., T. H. Seller, Shanghai 25th May and Swatow 29th.

General. —JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

May 30, TANSHU, British cruiser, 5,600, A. C. Clarke, Weihsien 25th May.

May 30, ENDALIS, British str., 1,926, Robert Dower, Moji 24th May, Coal. —DODWELL & CO. LIMITED

May 30, TAMSU MARU, Japanese str., 1,037, Nigata, Tamsu via Amoy and Swatow 29th May, General. —M. B. KAISHA

May 30, ZAFIRO, American supply ship, A. W. Whitton, Manila 27th May.

CLEARANCES.

At THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.

30th May.

Huching, British str., for Swatow.

Bellerophon, British str., for Amoy.

Gathrie, British str., for Nagasaki.

DEPARTURES.

May 30, HAMBURG, German str., for Europe.

May 30, ANPING MARU, Jap. str., for Swatow.

May 30, ROSSALL, British str., for Manila.

May 30, BONALDE, British str., for Nagasaki.

May 30, HAIKAN, French str., for Hainan.

May 30, AYR, British str., for Kuching.

May 30, MEFPOO, Chinese str., for Canton.

May 30, HALOONG, British str., for Swatow.

May 30, HAIKAN, French str., for Haiphong.

May 30, TATKAMI MARU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.

May 30, MIKAWA MARU, Jap. str., for Shanghai.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ANDEEDEN DOCKS—U.S.S. Monterey, W. H. Smith, H. M. Tamar, Nippon Maru.

COOMONALTH DOCK—Independent, Devaughn, Haungshua.

SHIPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Sungkang, from Manila 27th May, had light to moderate westerly winds, fine weather and smooth sea.

The British steamer Eddale, from Moji 24th May, had light winds and hazy weather all the way with the exception of two days fog N.E. of Formosa.

The British steamer Formosa, from Swatow 29th May, had light to moderate westerly winds, S.W. swell and fine cloudy weather. Steamers in Swatow—Kansu and Kuehngang.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship.

BELLEROPHON.

Captain Lyons, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 31st inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [1611]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship.

KALGAN.

Captain Larar, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 31st inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

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Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [1612]

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THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA,
LIMITED.FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND
TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAMSUI MARU,"
Captain H. Nagata, will be despatched for
the above ports on SUNDAY, the 3rd June, at
DAWN.For Freight or Passage, apply to
THE MITSU BUSAN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [15]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE,
AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAOS,"
Captain Franklin, will be despatched for the
above ports on MONDAY, the 4th June.For Freight or Passage, apply to
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [15]

THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR MARSEILLES, HAVRE AND
COPENHAGEN, VIA BANGKOK.

THE Company's Steamship

"MALAYA,"
Captain Prahl, will be despatched for the
above ports on MONDAY, the 4th June, a.c.For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1900. [15]

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MOJI AND KOBE.

THE Steamship
"AUSTRALIAN,"
Captain P. Hebb, will be despatched for the
above ports on TUESDAY, the 5th prox. at
NOON.This well-known Steamer is specially fitted
for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Cham-
ber which ensures the supply of Fresh Pro-
visions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.This Steamer is installed throughout with the
Electric Light.A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon
are carried.For Passages, apply to
GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1900. [1616]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

"NANCHANG,"
Captain Finlayson, will be despatched as above
on THURSDAY, the 7th June.For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [1606]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship
"TAYUAN,"
Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 8th June.The attention of Passengers is directed to
the Superior Accommodation offered by this
Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated for-
ward of the Engine.A duly-qualified Surgeon is carried and the
Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.For Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [1603]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND
PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAYUAN,"
Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 8th June, at NOON.The attention of Passengers is directed to
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Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Com-
pany to and from AUSTRALIA are available for
return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND
AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and vice versa.For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1900. [1604]

BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON.

THE Steamship
"BENALIG,"
Captain Kroble, will be despatched as above on
or about SATURDAY, the 9th June.For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1900. [1513]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANTENOR,"
Captain M. H. F. Jackson, will be despatched
as above on TUESDAY, the 26th June.For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1900. [1517]

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN
STEAMSHIP LINE.

(ROB. M. SLOAN & CO., HAMBURG.)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"ALBENOR,"
Captain Peterse, will be despatched for the above
port on or about 24th July.For Freight, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1900. [1617]

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA
OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
NIPON "MARU" (a) Shanghai, Nagasaki, Friday, June 1,
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yoko-
kohama, and Honolulu, 1900, at 5 P.M.AMERICA "MARU" (a) Shanghai, Nagasaki, Tuesday, June 26,
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yoko-
kohama, and Honolulu, 1900, at NOON.HONGKONG "MARU" (a) Shanghai, Nagasaki, Saturday, July 21,
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yoko-
kohama, and Honolulu, 1900, at NOON.THE Steamship "NIPPON MARU" will be
despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE,
INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONO-
LULU on FRIDAY, the 1st June, 1900,
at 5 P.M., taking Freight and Passengers for
the United States and Europe.Steamers of this line pass through the IN-
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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The City of Rio de Janeiro, with the American Mail, left Yokohama on Friday, the 25th instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 1st proximo. The Loo, with the French Mail of the 4th ultimo, left Singapore on Monday, the 28th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 4th proximo. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 31st March.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

TO	FROM	DAY AND HOUR.
Kwang-Chau-Wan		Thursday, 31st 9.00 A.M.
Shanghaï		Thursday, 31st 11.00 A.M.
Harakuchi and Moji		Thursday, 31st 11.00 A.M.
Macao		Thursday, 31st 12.15 P.M.
Sorabaya		Thursday, 31st 3.00 P.M.
Saigon		Thursday, 31st 4.00 P.M.
Samshui and Wuchow		Thursday, 31st 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Fri., 1st June, 9.00 A.M.
Bangkok		Fri., 1st June, 9.00 A.M.
Manila, Iloilo and Cebu		Fri., 1st June, 3.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KORE, YOKOKAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO		
Nippon Maru		Fri., 1st June, 3.45 P.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cocktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne		Fri., 1st June, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Saturday, 2nd June, 11.00 A.M.
Hongkong and Manila		Saturday, 2nd June, 11.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tunicorin (late Letters 12.10 to 12.30 P.M. Extra postage 10 cents)		Saturday, 2nd June, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai Moji, Kobe, N.Yokohama, Victoria, BC & Seattle, U.S.A.		Saturday, 2nd June, 3.45 A.M.
Samshui and Wuchow		Letters, 4.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KORE, YOKOKAMA, HONOLULU and VICTORIA and VANCOUVER, BC		
Empress of China		Mon., 4 June, 3.00 P.M.
Taiyuan		Fri., 8 June, 3.00 P.M.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

WEDNESDAY, 30th May.
EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—	Telegraphic Transfer	1/11/4
Bank Bills, on demand		1/11/4
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight		1/11/4
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight		1/11/4
Credits, at 4 months' sight		1/11/4
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2/9		
ON PARIS.—		
Bank Bills, on demand		2/46/1
Credits, at 4 months' sight		2/50/1
ON GERMANY.—		2/00/1
On demand		
ON NEW YORK.—		
Bank Bills, on demand		47/1
Credits, 60 days' sight		48/1
ON BOMBAY.—	Telegraphic Transfer	146/1
Bank, on demand		146/1
ON CALCUTTA.—	Telegraphic Transfer	146/1
Bank, on demand		146/1
ON SHANGHAI.—		
Bank, at sight		71/2
Private, 30 days' sight		
ON YOKOHAMA.—	3/1 p.c.p.m.	
ON MANILA.—	2/1 p.c.p.m.	
ON SINGAPORE.—	1/2 p.c.p.m.	
ON BATAVIA.—	1/17/2	
ON HAIPHONG.—	3/2 p.c.p.m.	
ON SAIGON.—	2/4 p.c.p.m.	
ON BANGKOK.—	60	
SOVEREIGN'S Bank's Buying Rate	10.13	
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	52.75	
BAR SILVER, per oz.	27.14	

OPium.	Allow'd not to 1 catty.
Malva New	880 to 890 per picul.
Malva Old	890 to 900 " "
Malva Olds	890 to 860 "
P. P. per-wrapped	850 to "
Persian fine-quality	890 to "
Persian extra fine	892 to "
Persian New	890 to per chest.
Parses Old	81.00
Banaras New	81.00
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PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.	
Per Sungkian, from Manila, Mr. Y. Koike, Mr. Antonio Fernandez and servant, Mrs. F. Bellisario, child, baby and two servants, Messrs. Felix Mafuru, Jns. Hellas, E. J. Jackson, John M. Paul, Jas. J. Hall, Chas. Cunningham, J. Stewart, and 124 Chinese.	
Per Oldesberg, for Hongkong, from Penang, Mr. H. Oppenheimer; from Singapore, Messrs. W. C. Michell, W. F. Donaldson, A. Flegel-Lub, and Cesar Thio Jiamo Sint; from Beimen, Messrs. Eul, Tiefermann, and Georg Indewitz; from Singapore, Messrs. E. W. Schmidauer, Nitze, J. Bregg and R. Kerehowski; from Colombo, Messrs. Sierbarts and Lises Bendorf; from Penang, Messrs. Tan Leh Choo and Chin Phay; from Singapore, Messrs. L. Gazzati, Ling Po and James Stewart.	
Per Riejin Maru, from Seattle, Mrs. Coramont.	
Per Empress of China, from Vancouver, Mr. H. A. Biddle, Mrs. G. E. Bailey, Messrs. J. W. Ganong, J. Burns, W. Whyte and W. H. Culver; from Yokohama, Mrs. Yoshida, Prof. E. H. Sharpe, Messrs. R. L. Embroider and H. Gillard, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Bertie; from Kobe, Miss Molin; from Nagasaki, Mrs. J. W. Sears from Shanghai, Mr. A. M. Coles, Mrs. C. W. Dickson, Mr. A. G. Morris, Capt. Tillett, Mr. Witten, Mrs. and Mrs. Kewick.	
Per Formosa, from Swatow, Mr. Arlt.	
Per Hamburg, from Japan, for Singapore, Mrs. Menghi; for Penang, Mr. L. Terkell; for Genoa, Messrs. F. R. Bleifus, F. Bleifus, E. Becker and E. Wiener, Mr. and Mrs. Hanard; for Southampton, Messrs. S. Hori, Y. Mayeda, Y. Sugii, Y. Matsumoto, T. Takagi, K. Murakami, T. Tambe, M. Kuro, F. Hayami, Y. Iwaya, C. C. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens; for Hamburg, Mrs. Larsen and Capt. L. Rablitz; from Shanghai, for Singapore, Mr. F. Peltizer; for Pott Sjæl, Messrs. P. Stenzl and P. Ericsson; for Antwerp, Mr. G. Schepens; for London, Messrs. T. Kay and J. H. Constantine, Mr. and Mrs. James May and children, Mr. and	

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

HONGKONG, 30th MAY.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARERS.	ISSUE VALUE.	PAID UP.	LAST DIVIDEND.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.					
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	50,000	\$125	\$125	\$0—div. & 10% bonus at 1/11/93—\$22.50 for 2nd half year '99	\$24 p. et pr.—\$530
Bank of China & Japan, Ltd.	100,075	48	24	None	21.
Deutsche	1,250	21	21	2/6 for 1890	23.50.
National Bank of China, Ltd.	10,070 A	210	210	10/1/93/17/4—\$1.30 for '99	\$22.
Do. Founders' Share	720,000	21	21	2/6 for 1890	\$20.
MARINE INSURANCES.					
Union Ins. Society, Ltd.	10,000	\$20	\$20	30 p. ct.—\$18 for 1898	\$260, buyers
China Traders Ins. Co., Ltd.	24,000	\$81.23	\$81.23	10/1/93/17/4—\$0.40 for '99	\$54, sellers
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	5,000	\$100	\$100	1/1 for 1898	18.165.
Canton Insurance Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$25	\$25	1/6 for 1898	\$121, sellers
Strata Insurance Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$100	\$100	5 per cent. for 1898	\$130, buyers
Fire INSURANCES.					
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$20	\$20	\$27 for 1898	\$205, buyers
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$0 for 1898	\$70, sales
SHIPPING.					
Hongkong Cotton and Wool Co. Ltd.	60,000	\$15	\$15	\$1.20 for half year 1 cent 31/12/99	\$302, sellers
Indo-China S. N. Co. Ltd.	60,000	210	210	10/1/93/17/4—\$0.25 per cent. for 1899	\$101, buyers
China and Manilla S. N. Co. Ltd.	6,000	\$20	\$20	12 per cent. for year ending 30/6/98	104, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$30	\$30	Final of 3 p. et—6 p. ct. for 1899 on prof.	110.10.
Do. do.	20,000	210	210	10 p. ct. half year in Ord. account '99	110.10, sellers
Star Ferry Co., Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$1.03—12 p. ct. for year ended 30/6/99	\$18, ex div.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	18,000	\$100	\$100	Final of 5 p. et—8 p. ct. for 1899	\$200, buyers
REFINERIES.					
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	Final of 35—\$7 for '99 taken out of Equival.	\$126.
Lucon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	7,000	\$100	\$100	\$3 for 1897	\$10, sales
Mining.					
Punjum Mining Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$8	\$7	None	\$2.25, sellers
Do. Preference	30,000	\$1	\$1	None	\$1.20, sellers
Societe Fran. des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	\$250	\$250	None	\$300, sellers
Queens Miner Limited	400,000	25cts	25cts	5 p. ct. half year 31/7/94 (cont'd) 9/1	125.25, buyers
Jebele Mining and Trading Company, Ltd.	45,000	\$5	\$5	1/1 Ling 51cts—10th div. on 16/1/99	100, sellers
British American Gold Mining Co., Limited	200,000	\$1	\$1	None	50 cts, sellers
Oliver's Freshfield Mines, Limited	15,000	\$5	\$4	None	40 cents
Great Eastern and Col. Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	45,000	\$5	\$4	None	40 cents
Do. Preferences	70,000	\$1	\$1	None	40 cents
Do. W. H. T. T. & Co.	12,000	\$100	\$90	Final of 31—\$1 for 1899	\$85 p. et. pr.—\$73.25 [buyers]
Cotton Mills.					
Two Cotton, Spinning and Weaving Co., Ltd.	12,500	\$125	\$125	Spec. & 12 p. ct. bonus for year ended 31/12/99	8861, buyers
Dock Co., Limited	12,000	\$100	\$100	Final of 5 p. et— 10 p. ct. for 1899	854, buyers
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and G. Co. Ltd.	2,600	\$100	\$97	Final of \$1—\$3 for 1899	854, buyers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$63	\$63	22 per cent. for 1899	220, buyers
New Ayey Dock Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$63	\$63	22 per cent. for 1899	220, buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.					
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$90	Final of \$1—\$3 for 1899	\$120, sellers
Kowloon Land & B. Co.	6,000	\$50	\$50	1/1 for 1899	\$251, sellers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,300	\$50	\$50	Final of \$1.15— \$1.80 for 1899	\$481, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50		